

Appl. No. 10/661,169

Amendment dated January 23, 2006

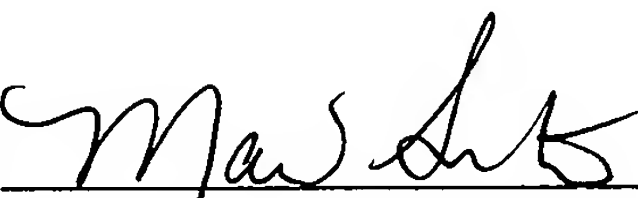
Reply to Notice of Non-Compliance Amendment dated November 21, 2005

REMARKS

This communication is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated November 21, 2005 for the above referenced patent application. The text of Claims 1 –15 have been added. Claims 1 – 15 remain withdrawn. Upon entry of this amendment, Claims 16 - 27 are pending and under consideration in this application. The substantive response to the Office Action dated July 29, 2005 is found in the response filed by the Applicant on October 31, 2005.

Based on the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that the application is now in condition for allowance. If any matters can be resolved by telephone, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Order No. A-71202/MSS (469332-20)).

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